

Model Community Guidelines Nursery/Landscaping

1. Practice waste reduction, reuse and recycling:
 - Use reusable items vs. Disposable items (e.g. Ceramic mugs for staff)
 - Practice double-sided photocopying
 - Set up in-house recycling program (e.g. Office paper and corrugated cardboard)
 - Purchase supplies in bulk where possible
 - Reuse scrap paper (e.g. Make into note pads)
 - Compost leaf, yard waste, plant cuttings
 - Offer compost for sale
 - Offer incentive to return plant boxes
 - Reduce amount of junk mail received by writing and advising your current subscription not to share your name and address with other mailers. Also, write to Mail Preference Service, Direct Marketing Association, 11 West 42nd Street, New York, NY 10036
 - Recycle toner or cartridges for copy machine or printer
 - Minimize use and seek out alternatives to toxins (such as cleansers)
2. Use products made from recycled content:
 - Purchase office paper and administrative products made with recycled content (e.g. Paper, letterhead, paper towels, tissue paper, note pads, business cards, credit card slips, etc.; indicate on letterhead, etc., “printed on recycled paper”)
 - Purchase plant boxes with recycled content or ones that are reusable
 - Offer items for sale with recycled content (at least three)
 - Purchase compost for nursery use
 - Purchase and use at least two other items made with recycled content (e.g. Desk organizers, such as recycling bins, desk top trays, if applicable)
3. Promote waste reduction and recycling:
 - Promote and support community recycling efforts with community boards or space to display swap items and community recycling projects
 - Promote backyard composting through flyers
 - Request that supplier/manufacturers use as much recycled content material in packaging as possible
 - Encourage residents to bring leaf and yard waste to be composted
 - Request supplier/manufacturers to provide system to take back non-recyclable packaging
 - Encourage employees to share magazines and newspaper subscriptions